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Brooks County / GDOT District 4 - Tifton
SR 76/SR 333 @ CS 834/Crawford St & CSX #636942L Bridge Replacement in
Quitman

FROM: *Dane Peters*
for R. Christopher Rudd, PE, State Design Policy Engineer

TO: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: APPROVED LOCATION & DESIGN REPORT

Attached is the approved Location and Design Report with Notice of Location & Design Approval for the above subject project.

Attachment

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Location and Design Report

DATE: 3/8/2022

FILE: P.I.# 0013714
Brooks County / GDOT District 4 - Tifton
SR 76/SR 333 @ CS 834/CRAWFORD ST & CSX #636942L IN QUITMAN

FROM: *for* Kimberly W. Nesbitt, State Program Delivery Administrator *for* 

TO: R. Christopher Rudd, P.E., State Design Policy Engineer
Attn: Dave Peters, P.E., State Conceptual Design Group Manager

SUBJECT: Request for Location and Design Approval

Description and Project Proposal: This project located in downtown Quitman, proposes to replace the existing bridge on SR 76/SR 333/US 221 that crosses the CSX Railroad, a small body of water, and locally named Crawford Street. It has a posted speed limit of 45 miles per hour (mph).

The existing roadway is comprised of four variable 10-ft to 12-ft lanes, a median with variable width of 0-ft to 9-ft and urban shoulders with sidewalks that also vary in width from 5-ft to 20-ft from the back of the curb. The existing bridge was built in 1938, is 258-ft by 52.3-ft in size and does not meet current minimum vertical and horizontal clearances for the CSX railroad tracks.

The proposed bridge will be 66-ft wide and have Mechanically Stabilized Earth (MSE) walls, two 12-ft lanes in each direction, standard 2.5-ft curb and gutter and 5.5-ft sidewalks. The profile grade will be raised 4.5-ft to accommodate safety clearances for the railroad. The proposed roadway will have two 12-ft lanes in each direction, variable 0-ft to 12-ft raised and flush median, standard 2.5-ft curb and gutter and 5-ft sidewalks.

The total length of the project is approximately 2000 feet. SR 76/SR 333/US 221 will be closed for approximately 18 months to construct the new bridge at the same location as the existing bridge while traffic uses a designated off-site detour.

Concept Approval Date: September 6, 2018

Concept Update: There are no updates to the project concept report, however, please note that the project name was changed in December 2020 from SR 76/SR 333/US 221/S Court St at CS 734/Bay St and CSX #636942L to the current description above.

Environmental Document Type: NEPA - CE

Approval Date: 3/2/2022

Public Involvement: A Public Detour Open House was held on May 29, 2018 at Brooks County Commissioners Office, 610 S Highland Street, Quitman, GA 31643. Public officials that attended the meeting were Dr. Nancy W. Dennard, the Mayor of Quitman, Mr. Ben DeVane of Brooks County, Mr. Justin DeVane of Brooks County and Mr. Mark DeVane of Brooks County. Seven members of the public attended the meeting. There was a concern from the public over the property being acquired for the construction of the project that would bring the roadway closer to the homes along the project corridor. One person opposed the project. The public was given until June 12, 2018 to send in comments, and one comment was received. The comment was in opposition to the project and voiced concerns that the construction of the project could possibly affect the historic area of Quitman within the project limits.

A Public Information Open House (PIOH) was held virtually in September 2020. A website was created for the project by GDOT and was opened to the public on September 9, 2020. The comment period was open between September 9, 2020 and October 3, 2020. Advertisements for the project were placed in the local newspaper twice, once on September 9, 2020, and again on September 23, 2020. The website was viewed 102 times and five comments were received during the comment period. Three comments strongly supported the project, one comment supported the project, and one comment was strongly opposed to the project. Everyone submitting a comment received a response letter that was sent out on October 21, 2020.

Consistency with Approved Planning: The design description as presented herein and submitted for approval is consistent with the approved Concept Report.

Recommendations: Recommend that the location and design for the project be approved and that the attached Notice be approved for advertising.

Concur: Hiral Patel 3/28/2022
GDOT Director of Engineering Date

Approve: For GDOT Chief Engineer 3/30/2022
Date

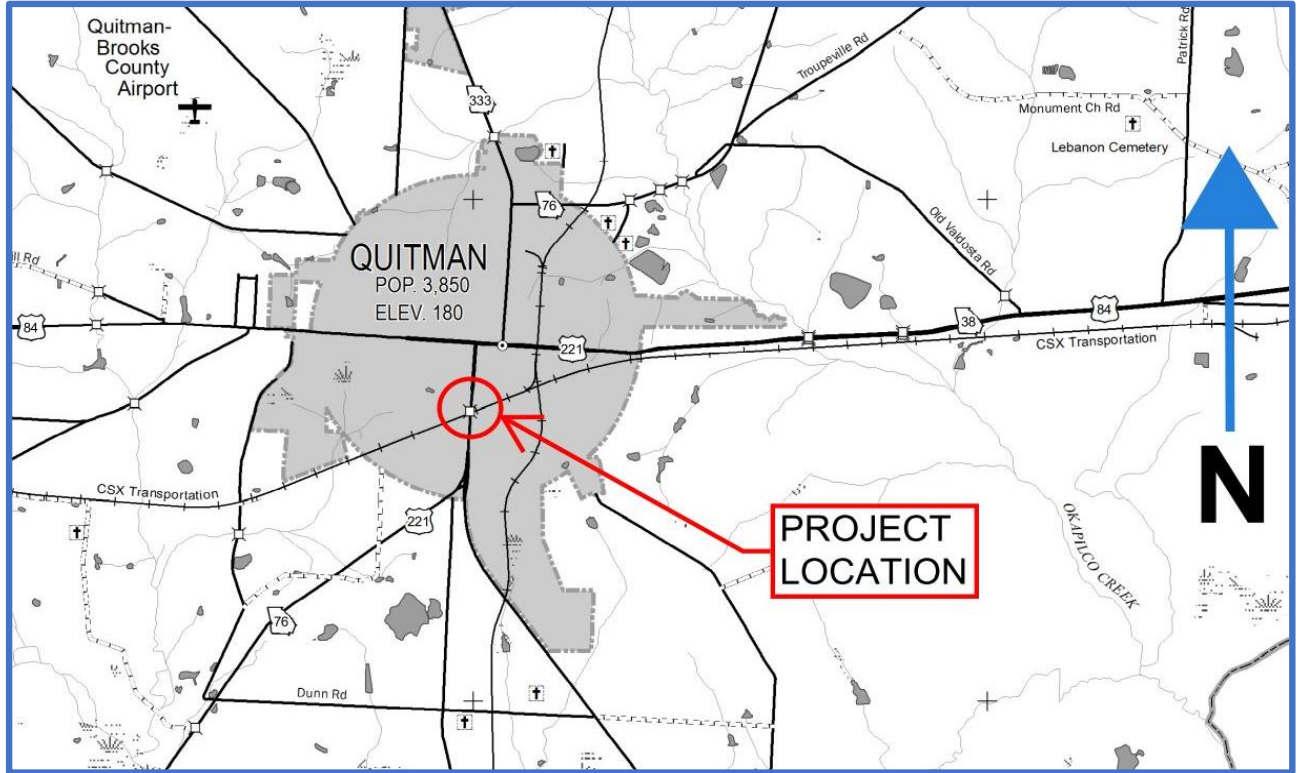
DATE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL:

March 31, 2022
(To be entered by State Conceptual Design
Group Manager)

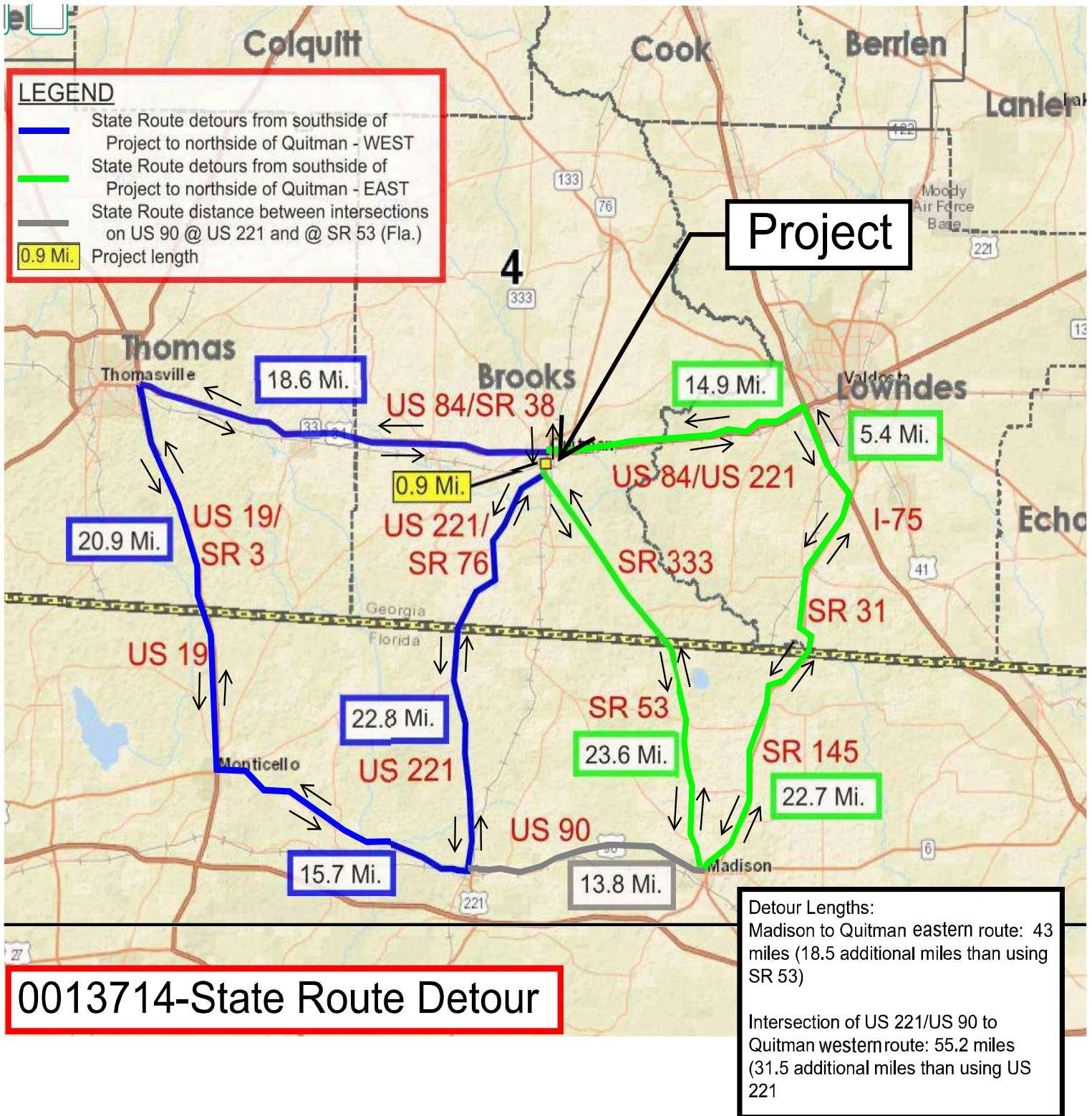
Attachments:

- Project Location Map
- Detour Maps and Responses
- PDOH Information
- 1st PIOH Information and 2nd Virtual PIOH Information
- Notice of Location and Design Approval

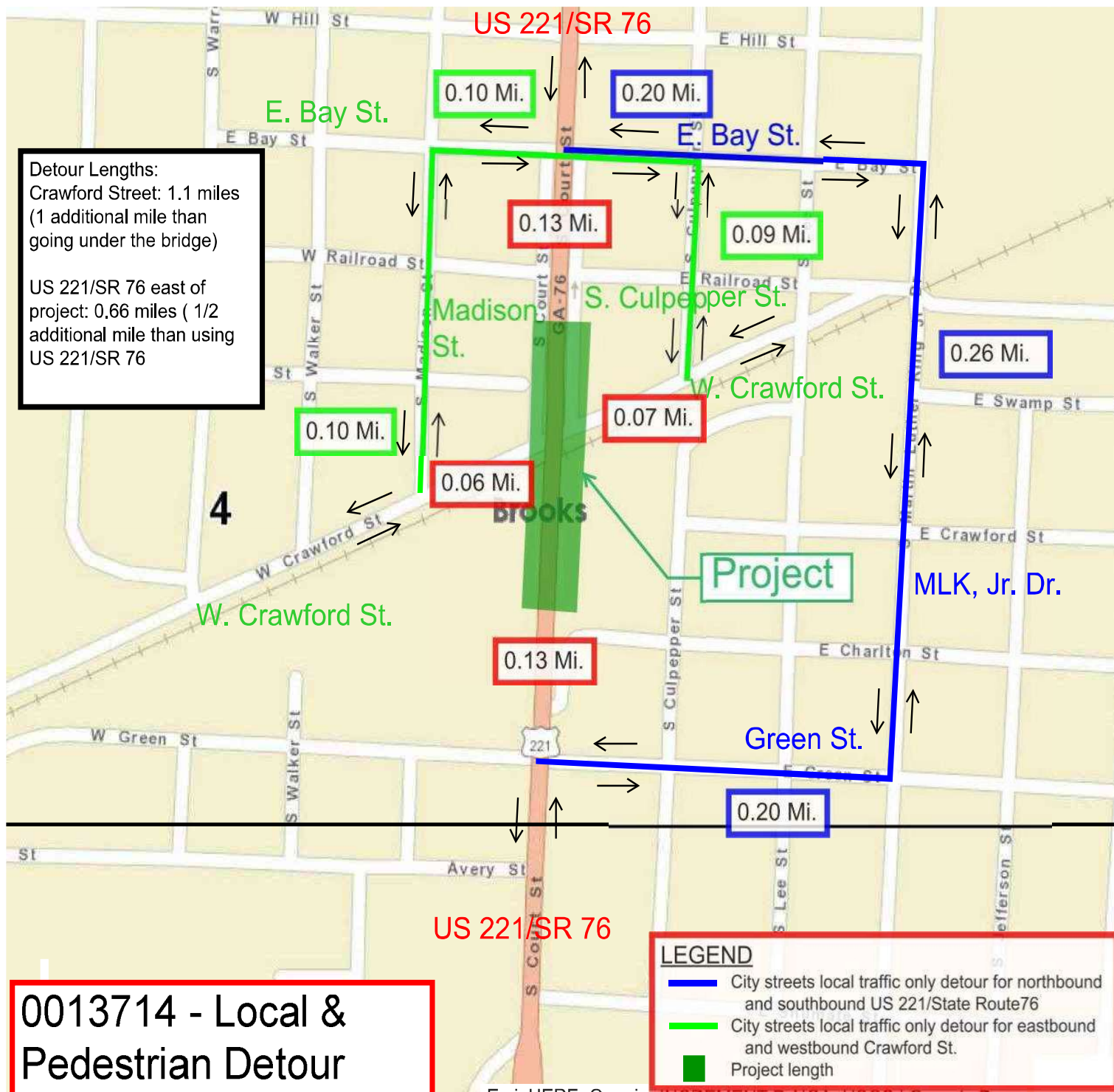
PROJECT LOCATION MAP



SR 76/SR 333/US 221/S COURT ST AT CS 834/CRAWFORD ST AND CSX #636942L
PI 0013714
Brooks County, GA



LOCAL DETOUR ROUTE MAP SHOWN FOR INFORMATION PURPOSE ONLY. THE ROUTE WILL NOT BE SIGNED DURING CONSTRUCTION.



PI 0013714, Brooks County
Georgia Department of Transportation
Bridge Replacement Project
Detour Impact Form for County Administrator

Using the attached project map, please respond to the questions below. Please provide as much information as you feel is necessary. Please respond to all questions – use “N/A” or “Non-known” if no relevant information to question is available. If you need additional information or mapping for this project, please contact us.

1. Please quantify the number of impacts anticipated by an off-site detour.

Daily Number of vehicles estimated 400

Daily Number of Trucks estimated 200

Number of Residences 17

2 churches

Number of Businesses 4

Detour Length 0.7 mile

2. Please rate the impact on service if the bridge were closed for up to a year?

☐ No Concerns

☐ Moderate Concerns

☒ Major Concerns

3. If concerns were identified, please specify what they are below, be as specific as possible (Conditions of detour route, location of students, new development expected, weight restrictions, etc.)

Narrowness of Green St. (18' pavement), narrow corner at S. MLK & E. Green St.
has main electrical feeder line light poles on all corners, local St. not
adequate to handle large truck traffic, funeral home located on E. Green St.
at S. MLK corner very congested area for 2 way traffic, + detour runs
by 2 churches (more congestion)

4. Are there any future time periods or events that you know of where bridge closure would be of particular concern? Please note the event and any details you are familiar with.

hurricane evacuation route

5. Is there anyone you feel we should contact specifically regarding this project? Please note their name, phone number, and reason we should contact them?

Wesley Ross, Quitman Police Chief, 229-263-2379
traffic control issues

6. Are there any additional comments you have regarding the project? Are the road names referenced the names the locals would use?

Form Completed by (Name):

Michael Felts

(Title):

City Manager

Date:

10/23/17

- NameDr. Al Williams
 - Date10/06/17
 - TitleDirector of Operations
 - CountyBrooks
 - PI or Structure Number (from letter)PI 0013714
-

Q1

How many School Buses crossings over this bridge are there per day?

- Number of Busses2
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- Number of Trips3

Q2

Please rate the impact on service if the bridge were closed for up to a year?

- No Concerns

Q3

If concerns were identified, please specify what they are below, be as specific as possible (Conditions of detour route, location of students, new development expected, weight restrictions, etc.)

None

Q4

Are there any future time periods or events that you know of where bridge closure would be of particular concern? Please note the event and any details you are familiar with.

None

Q5

Is there anyone you feel we should contact specifically regarding this project? Please note their name, phone number, and reason we should contact them?

No

Q6

Are there any additional comments you have regarding the project? Are the road names referenced the names the locals would use?

None

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1st PIOH Information

FACT SHEET

Bridge Replacement on SR 76/SR 333 @ CS 735/Bay St. & CSX #636942L in Quitman, PI # 0013714, Brooks County, GA

Length: 0.38 miles (2000 LF)

Design Speed:

Existing Posted Speed	45 mph
Existing Design Speed	30 mph
Proposed Design Speed	35 mph; Posted 45 mph

Cost:

Construction:	\$ 10,176,000
ROW:	\$ 1,409,000
Utilities:	\$ 171,600
Environmental Mitigation:	\$ 0

Typical Section:

Existing Roadway: Four variable 10-ft to 12-ft travel lanes and variable median and urban border widths.

Proposed Roadway:

- Four 12-ft travel lanes, 12-ft urban border area with variable median widths.
- S. Court Street (parallel frontage road west of SR 76) will be converted to one-way southbound only travel way from W. Railroad St to Crawford St.
- Court Street (parallel frontage road east of SR 76) will be converted to one-way northbound only travel way from Crawford St. to E. Railroad St.

Existing Structures:

- 258-ft x 52.3-ft concrete bridge with (four) 10-ft travel lanes and 5-ft sidewalks.
- Cast-in-place concrete walls on the NW and NE quadrants of the bridge, varying from 2-ft to 25-ft in height.
- Sufficiency Rating 52.30

Proposed Structures:

- 268-ft x 70-ft reinforced concrete bridge with (four) 12-ft travel lanes, 4-ft raised median, and 5.5-ft sidewalks.
- Cast-in-place walls NE & NW of the bridge, varying from 5-ft to 30-ft in height.
- MSE walls SE & SW of the bridge, varying from 5-ft to 30-ft in height.
- Gravity type retaining wall at Bethel Church in SW quadrant of intersection with Green St. and SR 76

Existing Right of Way: 116 to 132 feet

Required Right of Way: 116 to 150 feet

Utilities:

Bellsouth
City of Quitman Water/Sewer/Gas/Electric
CNS
Windstream
Comcast
CSX
SUE is anticipated

Displacements:

None

Traffic:

6350 AADT (2017) SR 76/SR 333 Current Year
6800 AADT (2022) SR 76/SR 333 Open Year
7575 AADT (2042) SR 76/SR 333 Design Year
24 hr T = 12.0%

U.S.T.'s:

Unknown

Projects in Area:

PI#0011723– CR 245/CS 790MLK Jr. Dr. @ CSXT #643305Y; including Closures in Quitman.

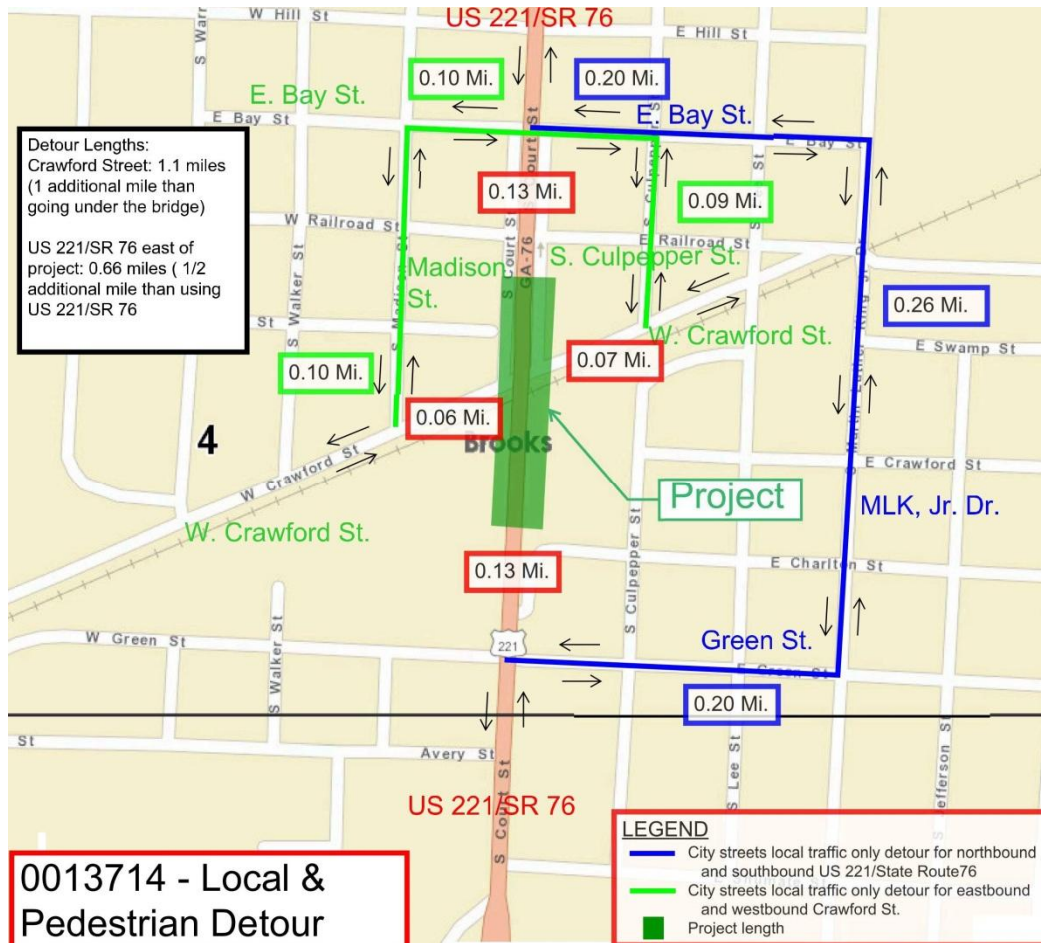
Schedule:

6/15/2019 ROW Acquisition; 6/15/2020 Letting

Detour Lengths:

- Madison to Quitman eastern route – 43 Total Miles (18.5 additional miles)
- Intersection of US 221/US 90 western route – 55.2 total Miles (31.5 additional miles)
- Both Detour routes require travel into Florida.
- Project route is designated as a hurricane evacuation route and will be impacted for 1 hurricane season.

**LOCAL DETOUR FOR INFORMATION ONLY
THIS ROUTE WILL NOT BE SIGNED**



PUBLIC INFORMATION OPEN HOUSE
PUBLIC/CITY OFFICIALS SIGN-IN SHEET

PROJECT: _____, PI. NO. 0013714

Brooks COUNTY

Please print

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PIOH Synopsis

Brief Project Description		Bridge Replacement on SR 76/SR333@CS 735/Bay St & CSX in Quitman					
Date of Open House		May 29, 2018		End of Comment Period		June 12, 2018	
Number in Attendance		7					
Officials in Attendance (list name and title)		Justin DeVane, Brooks County Ben DeVane, Brooks County Dr. Nancy W Dennard, City of Quitman Mayor Mark DeVane, City of Quitman					
Comment Breakdown (for comments provided at the Open House)							
For	0	Conditional	0	Uncommitted	0	Against	0
Major concerns:		Concerns were expressed regarding the right-of-way takes on properties adjacent to the corridor that are bringing the roadway closer to the homes.					
Prepared by (include firm's name if applicable):		Jennie Agerton/Edwards-Pitman					



July 24, 2018

India Warrior-Grant
1110 South Court Street
P.O. Box 5157
Quitman, GA 31643

Re: Responses to Open House Comments for PI#: 0013714, Brooks County, Bridge Replacement on State Route 76/SR 333 at CS 735/ Bay Street and CSX # 636942L in Quitman

Dear Ms. Warrior-Grant

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed project referenced above. We appreciate your participation and all of the input that was received as a result of the *May 29, 2018 Public Information Open House*. Every written comment received and verbal comment given to the court reporter will be made part of the project's official record.

A total of 7 people attended the open house. Of the 1 respondent who formally commented, 0 were in **support** of the project, 1 was **opposed**, 0 were **uncommitted**, and 0 expressed **conditional support**.

The attendees of the open house and those persons sending in comments within the comment period raised the following questions. The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) has prepared this one response letter that addresses comments received so that everyone can be aware of the questions raised and the responses given. Please find the comments summarized below (in *italics*) followed by our response.

- Concerns regarding "... *the location of the proposed service/frontage road. On the proposed plan map, this service road is depicted to be within a close proximity to my property. This will cause an unpleasant effect to my property. This proposed service road/frontage road and retaining wall will cause a nuisance to my historical property. This property was built in 1900. This property is one of many historical sites on South Court Street. Bethel AME Church was built in 1866. In 1903 it was moved to the south side of Court Street. My property is locally registered as a historical landmark in Brooks County Georgia Museum.*"

"This proposed plan will devalue and prevent a public visibility to this historical property... The proposal plan will block my natural surveillance of my property. I would like to keep my property visual to public and deter unwanted activities. I am asking the GDOT to reconsider the proposed service/frontage road location at this time. GDOT take in consideration the location, devaluation and the visibility of this property before you proceed with this plan."

We appreciate your comment regarding the historic status of the home. A qualified Historian has surveyed the project area. The house at 1110 South Court Street is a contributing property within the National Register listed Quitman Historic District. The proposed project is being developed in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), Section 4(f) of the US Department of Transportation Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and other laws and regulations. Compliance means GDOT must first endeavor to avoid effects to contributing properties, then work to minimize harm if effects cannot be avoided.

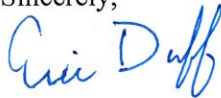
Under Section 106 of the NHPA, individuals with a demonstrated interest in the proposed project may request to be a consulting party. Consulting party status entitles you to share your views, receive and review pertinent information as part of project development with the federal agency (and state) and other consulting parties. This participation is subject to approval. If you would like to become a consulting party, please provide written contact to GDOT Sr. Transportation Historian, Amber Rhea at arhea@dot.ga.gov or by letter to Amber Rhea, GDOT, One Georgia Center, 16th Floor, Office of Environmental Services, 600 West Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, GA, 30308.

- *If you had questions regarding GDOT's right of way process.*

The proposed project design is still being developed. Preliminary design plans have not been approved; therefore, required right of way boundaries have not been permanently established. In the event your property is required in total or in part, a certified appraiser from the GDOT's appraiser prequalification list will make a fair market value appraisal of the area to be required, including any damages to the remainder land, if applicable. The appraisal will also include values for improvements required or damages that may be applicable. Should the remainder be classified by the GDOT as an uneconomic remnant, the GDOT will offer to purchase the property. Should you be required to relocate as part of this project, a GDOT representative will assist you during your relocation. You will have sixty (60) days to relocate from the date title passes to the GDOT.

Again, thank you for your comments. Should you have further questions, comments or concerns, please call the project manager, Scott Mann, at 770-702-7033 or the environmental analyst, David Borchardt, at 404-631-1184.

Sincerely,



Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator

ED/kr-EPEI

cc: Scott Mann, GDOT Project Manager (via email)
PDF for Project File

2nd PIOH Information

**Georgia Department of Transportation
Requests Feedback & Comments
For P.I. No. 0013714
Brooks County**

In compliance with Governor Brian Kemp's directive to keep state government agencies functioning as Georgia combats the COVID-19 pandemic, Georgia DOT is placing project information for review and feedback into an internet platform to comply with physical distancing to avoid crowds of 10+ people. We appreciate your participation in this process.

The Georgia DOT has posted information related to the proposed *SR 76 at CS 735 Bridge Replacement* at <http://www.dot.ga.gov/AboutGDOT/PublicOutreach>.

This project proposes to replace the existing narrow 4-lane urban bridge (Structure ID 027-0003-0) along State Route (SR) 76/SR 333/South Court Street (US 221) over two CSX Railroad tracks, Crawford Street, and a small body of water in Quitman, Georgia. SR 76/SR 333/South Court Street will be closed to both foot and vehicle traffic for a temporary period in order to construct the new bridge at the same location and traffic will use designated offsite detours.

The purpose of this internet posting is to replace an in-person meeting, while allowing the public to review the proposed project, provide feedback, or write in with questions.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information:

To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities contact the district planning and programming engineer Dennis Carter at 229-391-5504.

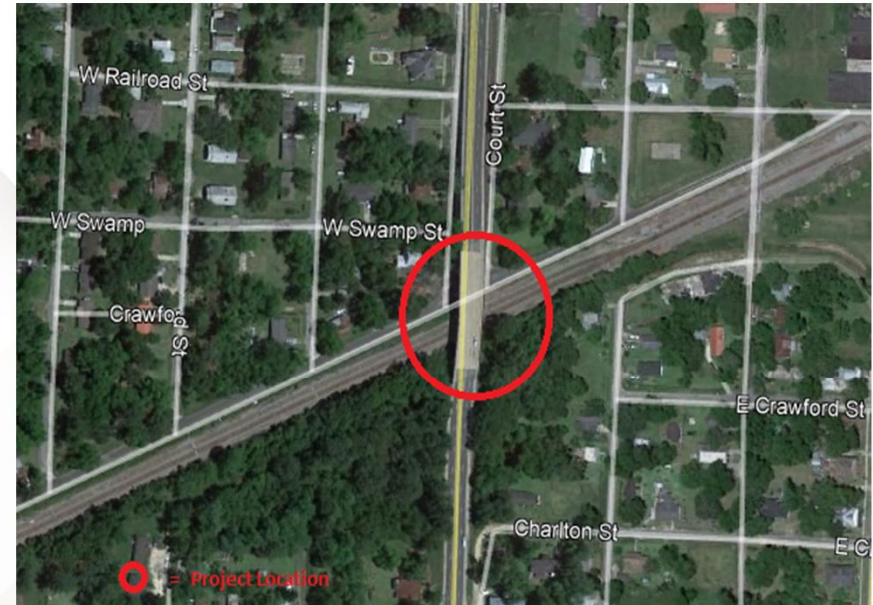
Comments will be accepted concerning this project until Saturday, October 03, 2020. Written statements may be submitted to:

Mr. Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation
600 West Peachtree Street, NW – 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308




Online Information for The Proposed Replacement of the SR 76/SR 333/South Court Street Bridge in Quitman, Georgia

In compliance with Governor Brian Kemp's directive to keep state government agencies functioning as Georgia combats the COVID-19 pandemic, Georgia DOT is moving forward by placing project information and coordination into a web-based platform so that there will be no need for direct face-to-face contact. We appreciate your participation in this process.

The conceptual drawing and project information will be available online at the link below. An opportunity to comment will be available online until 10/3/2020. Georgia DOT has proposed the replacement of the existing narrow 4-lane bridge along State Route (SR) 76/SR 333/South Court Street (US 221) over two CSX Railroad tracks, Crawford Street, and a small body of water in Quitman, PI Number 0013714. As a result of the proposed project, SR 76/SR 333/South Court Street will be closed to both foot and vehicle traffic for approximately 18 months to construct the new bridge at the same location and traffic will utilize designated offsite detours.



Questions or Concerns

 Matthew Sanders
 (404) 403-3110
 MSanders@dot.ga.gov

Project information for the SR 76/SR 333/South Court Street bridge replacement project is available online only at <http://www.dot.ga.gov/AboutGDOT/PublicOutreach>

Peggi Fellows

From: Borchardt, David J <DBorchardt@dot.ga.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 16, 2020 8:59 AM
To: Sanders, Matthew; Mason, Van; Carter, Dennis; Birmingham, Juanita Y; Natalie Glazer
Cc: Shelby, Albert; Pharr, Sean; Duff, Eric; Phillips, Amber; Nesbitt, Kimberly; Pirkle, Meg; ENV_Inbox; Perry, Verlin (Ryan)
Subject: PI# 0013714, Brooks County -- Virtual (Public Information/Detour) Open House Summary

Hi everyone,

Below find a brief summary of the virtual public meeting for the subject project. Please let me know if you have questions or concerns.

<i>Brief Project Description</i>	The proposed project would consist of the replacement of a structurally deficient narrow four-lane bridge (GDOT Bridge No. 027-0003-0). This project is proposed to replace an existing bridge built in 1938 that has become functionally obsolete, does not meet current design standards, and does not provide minimum vertical and horizontal clearances to the CSX railroad track.		
<i>Link to Website</i>	https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/1108c7c7f2c9441db0804510d1e78744/result		
<i>Date the Virtual Public Meeting Website Will Be Live</i>	09/09/2020	<i>End of Comment Period on Virtual Public Meeting Website</i>	10/03/2020
<i>Number of Postcards Mailed Out</i>	2,543		
<i>Method of Virtual Advertisement Used</i>	Direct mailer postcards, GDOT website, & newspaper ad		
<i>List of Officials Provided Advertisement (list name and title)</i>	N/A		
<i>Expected Concerns:</i>	-How the new bridge will be designed to maintain the classical look upon approach and keep its open rail design. -Questioning on the use of \$14.8M for infrastructure needs specific to this bridge versus other needs like the water and sewer system in Quitman. -Concerns on proposed detours -Concern for semi-traffic in town due to detours		
<i>Prepared by (include firm's name if applicable):</i>	Natalie Glazer, Edwards-Pitman Environmental		

Thanks

David Borchardt
Transportation NEPA Associate



GDOT Office of Environmental Services
Georgia Department of Transportation
16th Floor-Office of Environmental Services
One Georgia Center, 600 West Peachtree West, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308
Office: 404-631-1184; Email: dborchardt@dot.ga.gov
Main: 404-631-1000

Vote daily for Columbus Riverwalk, on the banks of the Chattahoochee River, as the People's Choice. Riverwalk was named a top twelve finalist in AASHTO's 2020 America's Transportation Awards. The People's Choice Award is decided by online popular vote. Help GDOT bring home national recognition and a \$10,000 award that will be donated to charity. Vote online once a day per device (laptop, tablet or mobile) through Oct. 25. Ask your coworkers, family and friends to vote too. Visit www.dot.ga.gov for a direct voting link.



Russell R. McMurry, P.E., Commissioner
One Georgia Center
600 West Peachtree NW
Atlanta, GA 30308
(404) 631-1990 Main Office

October 20, 2020

Re: Responses to Virtual Open House Comments for PI#: 0013714, State Route (SR) 76/SR 333/South Court Street Bridge Replacement in Quitman, Brooks County, Georgia

Dear Participants:

Thank you for your comments concerning the proposed project referenced above. We appreciate your online participation and the input that was received as a result of the Virtual *Public Information Open House* (VPIOH). Every comment received will be made part of the project's official record.

A total of **102** people viewed the online VPIOH website. Of the **5** respondents who formally commented, **4** were in **support** of the project and **1** was **opposed**.

The attendees of the VPIOH and those persons sending in comments within the comment period raised the following questions. The Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) has prepared this one response letter that addresses all comments received so that everyone can be aware of the questions raised and the responses given. Please find the comments summarized below (in *italics*) followed by a response.

Multiple comments were provided in support of the project.

- *Support the proposed project because it will replace a design failed bridge with one that is structurally sound and has the vertical clearance for CSX Trains.*
- *Appreciate the monetary commitment to keep our community viable.*
- *I travel over that bridge several times a day. It couldn't start soon enough.*
- *The outdated bridge needs to be replaced to prevent further damage and permanent closing.*

Response: Thank you for your support of the proposed project. Project coordination was completed with CSX Railroad and the bridge's future vertical clearance meets CSX requirements. GDOT will continue to coordinate with CSX throughout the project.

- *Please consider how the new bridge might be designed to maintain the classical look upon approach. Some bridge railings are plain concrete, but the existing bridge has the open rail design.*

Response: GDOT is consulting with the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on the preliminary layout and the visual effects of the proposed replacement bridge. Concrete railings similar in appearance to the open railings on the existing bridge structure and southbound approach have been incorporated into the design. These railings would be similar to the existing design and have closed windows in the railing sections that span the two tracks of CSX railroad and open windows in all other railing

sections. The railing would extend from the beginning of the northbound approach northward to the end of the southbound approach.

- *Bridge won't be enlarged by much; trucks and rail cars are not getting larger and automobiles are getting smaller. The rail cars can pass under the bridge without difficulty. \$14.8 million dollars could be better spent on Quitman's needs such as water/sewer which is outdated and in deplorable condition.*

Response: The existing bridge was constructed in 1938 which accommodated lighter vehicle loads than current design standards. Furthermore, the bridge replacement is to address the age of the bridge, future increases in maintenance costs, structural improvements, and current design standards not vehicle capacity requirements. The scope of the proposed project and associated funding type are for the bridge replacement. Local utility improvements are beyond the scope of this project. Any comments regarding the utilities should be directed to the owners of those utilities.

Multiple comments were provided related to the proposed vehicle detour.

- *My only concern is where semi traffic would be routed to that need to continue south on the Madison Hwy, Hwy 333. Semi traffic and other vehicle traffic needing to travel south on the Greenville Hwy, Hwy 221 could use Dunn RD, off Hwy 84, which connects to the Greenville Hwy, Hwy. 221.*
- *The detours are ridiculous.*

Response: Official detour routes would be signed during construction along existing state routes, or a roadway designated as a temporary state route. Truck traffic (i.e. heavy loads) would be required to follow the posted detour route while local traffic may use the posted detour route or use local or county roads of their choosing.

Again, thank you for your comments. Should you have further questions or comments, please call the project manager, Matthew Sanders, at 404-403-3110 or the environmental analyst, David Borchardt, at 404-631-1184.

Sincerely,



Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator

ED/NG-EP/db

cc: Tim Golden, GDOT Board Member (District 4)
John LaHood, State Representative (District 175)
Ellis Black, State Senator (District 8)
Matthew Sanders, GDOT Project Manager (via email)
PDF for Project File

NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL

P. I. 0013714

BROOKS COUNTY

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Georgia Code 22-2-109 and 32-3-5 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

The date of location and design approval is: March 31, 2022

This project is located in Brooks County in downtown Quitman and Land Lot 349. The project proposes to replace the existing bridge on SR 76/SR 333/US 221 that crosses the CSX Railroad, a small body of water and locally named Crawford Street. It has a posted speed limit of 45 miles per hour (mph). The proposed bridge will be 66-ft wide and have two 12-ft lanes in each direction, standard curb and gutter and sidewalks. The proposed roadway will have two 12-ft lanes in each direction, a variable width raised and flush median, standard curb and gutter and sidewalks. The total length of the project is approximately 2000 feet.

SR 76/SR 333/US 221 will be closed for approximately 18 months to construct the new roadway and new bridge at the same location as the existing bridge. A designated off-site detour will be used for traffic.

Drawings or maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation:

Paul Kaspereen, Area Manager
District 4, Area 1
pkaspereen@dot.ga.gov
1411 Madison Hwy
Valdosta, GA 31601
(229) 333-5287

Any interested party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portions thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

Kimberly W. Nesbitt
State Program Delivery Administrator Office of Program Delivery
Attn: Matt Sanders, GDOT Project Manager
MSanders@dot.ga.gov
600 West Peachtree St, 25th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30308
(404) 403-3110

Any written request or communication in reference to this project or notice SHOULD include the Project and P. I. Numbers as noted at the top of this notice.